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Examiner Ardin H. Marschel, Ph.D.  
United States Patent & Trademark Office  
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Arlington, VA 22202

**Attention:** 7th Floor Reception - Group Art Unit 1631

**Re:** U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/486,070

**Inventors:** Stavrianopoulos et al.

**For:** ARRAYS AND SYSTEMS COMPRISING ARRAYS FOR GENETIC ANALYSES AND  
OTHER APPLICATIONS

**Our Reference:** Enz-7(P)(C3)

Dear Dr. Marschel:

Just to let you know, a response in the above-identified application was filed this past Friday (October 31st) by our Washington attorneys. The paper was hand-carried to the Patent Office and it was titled "Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.115 (Following Office Action Of July 2, 2003)". Included with the filing was an extension request (1 month) and a new set of claims (2161-3143) to replace the previously pending claims (1576-2160) that were canceled. A copy of the first few pages of the Amendment is enclosed for your information.

Would you be available later this month or early next month for an interview to discuss this case? I will contact you in a couple of weeks to check on your availability.

In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or comments, or if any further information is required.

Thank you.

Cordially,

Ronald C. Fedus  
Corporation and Patent Counsel

Enclosure